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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's reply filed on 6-23-06 is acknowledged. The previous restriction requirement is hereby withdrawn with acknowledgement of the preliminary amendment filed 7-22-03.

New set of claims required

2. The reply filed on 6-23-06 requires a new set of claims correcting for misnumbering before an action on the merits may be issued. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

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Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alain L. Bashore whose telephone number is 571-272-6739. The examiner can normally be reached on about 7:30 am to 5:00 pm (Mon. thru Thurs.).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Timothy Meeks can be reached on 571-272-1423. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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